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Lost.

LOST.—In the neighborhood of James Bay, on Wednesday last, a young BROWN RETRIEVER DOG; answers to the name of Nero. Any one having the same in his possession will please leave it at the TIMES office. dec11

Meetings to be Held.

ST. ANDREWS and CALEDONIAN Society meets in their hall, Broughton street, between Government and Broad streets, on the FIRST FRIDAY of every month. All Scotchmen are invited to join. sep 1-ly WILLIAM SCOTT, Secretary.

AN ENTERTAINMENT IS GIVEN AT TEMperance Hall every Saturday evening. Good Temperance speakers and Musical Selections, with Recitations, forming a good programme. The Blue Ribbon Band will be in attendance. All are cordially invited. Chair taken at 7:30 o'clock precisely. S. GRAY, President.

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Our Annual distribution of Gifts commence as usual, on the first day of December and lasts through the entire month. Over 2,000 worth of costly gifts will thus be presented free to customers purchasing their goods between now and New Years Day.

DO NOT DELAY

Your purchasing until Xmas week for then it will be almost impossible for you to gain an entrance to the store. no 29-1m

BENEFIT!

The Victoria Athletic Club

Have kindly volunteered to give an

EXHIBITION

IN YATES STREET RINK,

On Monday Evening, Dec. 13.

The proceeds to be handed to MR. GRAHAM, who was seriously injured by falling from Mr. Heathorn's building.

The Blue Ribbon Band have also generously volunteered to furnish music. Exhibition to commence at 8 p. m. Admission 50c. dec8

THE WORLD IN BRIEF.

The Pith of the News from all parts of the Globe.

Signor wants to fast in Germany on a 6000 franc guarantee.

Bishop Tache, who has been ill, is able to be about again.

Four thousand reinforcements will be sent to the troops in Ireland.

The Sultan has conferred upon Gen. Kaulbars the decoration of the Order of the Mejidie.

Mr. Herbert Gladstone, M. P., has sailed for India on a visit to his brother at Calcutta.

According to a recent return the entire capital of the kingdom is about £9,000,000,000.

The Grant Monument Fund is stationery at a little less than $125,000.

Weld County, Colorado, has a population of 10,000 and not a single pauper.

Three hundred men were discharged at the Brooklyn Navy Yard on Monday.

The Prohibition party increased its vote in Texas 1,000 per cent. in the last two years.

The late Jesse L. Williams, millionaire, of Fort Wayne, Ind., left $25,000 in charities.

A monument is to be erected over the grave of the late Paul H. Hayne, the Southern Poet.

Three hundred out of the 1,100 Third Avenue Road men who struck last April are still idle.

The tallest tree in California, which is known as the "Father of the Forest," is 450 feet high.

John McKenzie of Pictou, 45 years of age and unmarried, has become a raving maniac because of losses caused by bad investment.

Mr. P. J. Mattice was the choice of a large meeting of Cornwall workingmen as a candidate for the mayorality of the river town.

Lady Londonderry whose health has been failing for some time, has gone to London to seek advice.

Prof. Von Treitscke has been appointed historiographer of Prussia, to succeed the late Prof. Van Ranke.

A promising student at the Erlanger University, Germany, has been killed in a duel with pistols. His opponent fled.

The arrangements recently made by the British Government for the carriage of the American mails effects a saving of £25,000.

It has been calculated that the fishing industry of the Port Arthur district this season represents an income of $30,000.

The superior of the Oblate Fathers has announced that no Knight of Labor will be allowed to take the Sacrament.

Russia having failed to furnish the money the latest Gankoff plot to upset the Bulgarian regency has fallen through.

Rev H. R. Haweis, in an article on the causes of pauperism, places drunkenness fifth on the list!

Mr. G. A. Sala, in consequence of being still in delicate health, intends to spend the winter in Rome.

The zinc mines of Roanoke, Va., are stated to have been sold to an Englishman for $500,000 cash.

The remains of Mr. Charles Francis Adams were laid on the 23d ult, in the family plot at Quincy Mass.

The longest Pullman line in operation in the United States, is from St. Paul to Portland, Oregon, a distance of 1,912 miles.

O'Donovan Rossa has been expelled from the Fenian Brotherhood and denounced by Michael Davitt.

The labouring classes in the city of Chicago and the town of Lake spend $12,000,000 annually on liquors—$1,000,000 a month.

The municipal department of New York will cost $1,800,000 more for maintenance next year than during the current twelve month.

Two philanthropic Philadelphia ladies have given $250,000 for the erection of a Protestant Episcopal Memorial church in that city.

Dr. John P. Gray, Superintendent of the State Lunatic Asylum in Utica, who had been sick for some time, died last week.

Capt. Wilson of Sault Ste. Marie has seized twenty-five nets for illegal fishing between the Sault and Kilarney. The season for fishing is closed.

The Port Perry Standard says gambling is carried on to an alarming extent in that town and calls upon the officers of the law to suppress it.

A few days ago, while Joseph Watson of East Garafraxa was at church with his family, thieves visited his house and stole $50 in money and $1175 in notes.

Secretary Blanchet's election for Beauce is contested. The $1000 deposit has been made in the court at Quebec, as has the deposit in the case of the Temiscouta election.

A young man named David Armstrong Cahoor was lately arrested in Peterboro for stealing a few articles of wearing appeal from a Kinmount farmer three years ago.

A dispatch from Tonquin says that pirates have captured and killed the French Civil Agent accompanying the Frontier Commission near Haining.

A mail train and a pilot engine collided near Hamilton, Ont., and two tramps who were stealing a ride were killed. The mail clerk was also injured.

Montreal's collection of municipal taxes and rates this year to Nov. 30, was $1,745,261, as compared with $1,602,700 for last year, showing an increase of $143,561 for this year.

The fine silk mill of the insolvent Corriveau Silk company in the east end was sold to A. F. Gault and Y. J. Claxton, who will operate them and intend increasing their capacity.

The mausoleum prepared by the Empress Eugenie at Farnborough is now almost ready for the reception of the bodies of the late Emperor and Prince Imperial.

The firm of Erben, Search & Co. is preparing to erect three warehouses and factories in Tacony, Pa., for manufacturing worsted and woolen goods.

The Lennox property, on the east side at what is now Central Park, New York, is worth over $9,000,000. It was bought at foreclosure sale in 1817 for $6,920.

Mr. Henry M. Stanley, the famous African explorer, told of his adventures in the Dark Continent before a very large and cultured audience in Chickering Hall last week.

Dr. Percival, President of Trinity college Oxford, has accepted the appointment of headmaster of Rugby School. He is an L. L. D. of the University of St. Andrews.

Mr. Churchyard, a woolen manufacturer in Buckfastleigh, Devon, while out shooting on Nov. 13th was getting through a hedge, when his gun went off and killed him on the spot.

Mr. E. Pickard Hall, M.A., formerly of the Oxford university press, eldest son of the late Mr. J. Vine Hall, author of "The Sinner's Friend," has died at Oxford in his 78th year.

Rev. Dr C. O'Reilly of Detroit, Treasurer of the Irish National League of America, is visiting in St. Thomas and spoke to the audience gathered to hear Justin McCarthy.

William H. Price, son of John W. Price, engineer in the London postoffice, was killed in a collision on the Detroit, Grand Haven and Milwaukee Railway near Lowell, Mich.

Eight proprietors of second class hotels and restaurants in Hartford, Conn., were arrested for using oleomargarine on their tables without displaying a placard "Oleomargarine used here," as required by the law.

Sixty-two natives of the Maritime Provinces were among the 136 men lost off the Gloucester fishing fleet this year. Within the last fifteen years 1050 Blue Noses were drowned from the fleet.

The time for receiving tenders for the ocean mail service has been further extended to April 1 by the Ottawa authorities. As yet no tenders have been received by the Postmaster General for this service.

A short time ago while John Snowball of Markham was hunting in Monck he drew his rifle after him over a log. The hammer of the weapon caught on a twig and the discharge shattered one of his hands.

Several barns on the stock farm of L. W. Allen at East Syracuse were burned yesterday. Fifty seven head of fancy cattle and a large amount of grain, hay and farming utensils were destroyed. Loss, $40,000.

The New York plumbers' long strike is virtually over so far as the "seniors" are concerned, and they claim to have won the battle. With a few exceptions the bosses have yielded to the Union's demands.

"Principal Nero," who created such a sensation in Glasgow, has been brought before the Rochdale Police Court, charged with obtaining £5, by false pretences from the Rev. Robert Veitch.

The late Alderman Thomas Ross, who died at Manchester on Nov. 11th, has left a fortune, the personality of which is expected to reach £250, [illegible] to Manchester charities.

Mr. Stokes of Fingal, Ont., ate twenty-five eggs in half an hour the other day and is willing to wager that he can eat four dozen in the same period of time. He is always open to a bet that he can eat two gallons of oysters at a single sitting.

Considerable anxiety is felt for the safety of the American steamer Sylvan Stream, which left Halifax en route for Rochester, N. Y. Her hull is old and shaky, and one of the conditions of her insurance is that she shall put into harbor every night.

POLITICAL CAMPAIGN.

The Contest in Ontario--Hon. Edward Blake on Sir John.

The Workingmen of Canada---What has Been Done for Them.

In his recent speech at Belleville, Hon. E. Blake took up and disposed of many inconsistencies and palpable mis-statements in Sir John Macdonald's recent speeches to workingmen. Among other things the Liberal leader said: Then Sir John Macdonald declared that he was opposed to contract labor in penitentiaries, and took credit for its abolition. But he has forgotten again. He, I need not tell you, is the man who, for the longest period we know of, has been responsible for contract labor in the penitentiaries. He was Attorney General or Minister of Justice and had control of the penitentiaries for ever so many years, and during that time he controlled the legislation and the contracts. He arranged for the contracts under which the convicts were employed, and he never began to cry out against the system so long as he was in power. But as soon as he got into the Opposition he began to cry out. (Laughter.) When he came back to power we called upon him to carry out the abrogation of the system, and almost every year this call was repeated, but nothing was done. (Applause.) At length, only a little while ago, a new Penitentiaries Bill was brought down. It was introduced in the Senate by his Minister of Justice, passed in that House, and came down to the House of Commons. There was not a word in it

ABOUT ABOLISHING CONTRACT LABOR.

(Cheers.) I recalled once more the professions they had made, and intimated my intention of taking some action in the matter. Sir John Macdonald thereupon asked that the bill stand over, and when it was resumed, just at the last stage, he introduced the clause of which he now boasts. That clause is due, not to his good will or initiative, but to my pressure. (Cheers.) He now says that the amendment was delayed because there were existing contracts. It is not so; his memory has played him false again. That amendment actually saves all existing contracts—(cheers)—it is expressly declared not to come into operation until those contracts terminate. I cannot speak positively, but I am strongly of opinion that these contracts were terminated at the will of the government long before. Now my opinion is that prisoners ought not to be under the control of contractors, but under the control of the prison authorities. Prison discipline, the prisoners' good, and the good of the community call, I think, for that course. My opinion with reference to the work done in prisons is that it ought to be such as will train the prisoners to earn an honest living when released, but at the same time such as will interfere as little as possible with free labor. (Applause.) There is no useful work to which you can put prisoners but will interfere somewhat with free labor. When in control of this department I tried to carry out what seemed to me

THE MOST ADVANTAGEOUS PLAN,

and in this view I bought from Sir John Macdonald himself a farm in the immediate neighborhood of the penitentiary, in which, according to my plan, spade husbandry was to be carried on, an industry in which as many hands as possible should be employed with as little assistance from machines as possible. We had too many idle hands. I wanted to do work ordinarily done by machinery. I thought this employment would give the prisoners health and exercise, and would interfere as little as possible with free labor. (Cheers.) I am afraid the system since carried out has not been fully in accordance with my intentions; and since that time the government has taken a vote for the erection of a flour mill in Kingston Penitentiary so that they might interfere as little as possible with the miller—(laughter)—who, as you know, has under the N. P. been making great and undue profits.

THE CATHOLIC VOTE.

The Effect of the "Mail's" Articles on the Ontario Elections.

A Toronto dispatch to the Montreal *Star*, Conservative, says: There has been of late considerable speculation among politicians of both parties as to whether the *Mail's* articles against the Roman Catholic separate schools and Archbishop Lynch would have any effect in turning the Catholic wing of the Conservative party into the Reform camp. The action of the public school board in sending Public School Inspector Hughes out as the champion assailant of the system, it was thought, might add to the discontent of the Catholic Tories. With a view of learning how matters stood in Catholic circles a reporter of the *Telegram* interviewed members of this denomination belonging to all classes as to the situation, and what effect these two matters would have in the coming political contest. The majority, in fact all, were of the opinion, irrespective of their party views, that the *Mail's* course was most injudicious, and would have the undoubted effect of weakening the hold the Conservatives had on the Roman Catholics.

Regarding the claim of Sir John Macdonald that all the land twelve miles on each side of the Canadian within this province is vested in the Dominion Government, the Toronto *World* says: "From the decision of the Supreme Court the case will be carried before the British Privy Council, the highest tribunal in the realm, and the final judgment will be awaited with great interest, as it will determine whether the Dominion or the province shall enjoy the immense prospective revenue accruing from the sale of mineral lands. The local government opposes the Premier's claim to this valuable belt, and the suit has been mutually agreed upon to settle the ownership.

The Dominion Government has given instructions to the heads of the various public departments to hurry up with the preparation of the estimates for the coming year. This is regarded as an indication that Parliament will be called at an early date.

In the present Dominion Parliament there are several journalists. No less than seven are already nominated for the Ontario House. In the late contest in Manitoba a couple were elected, namely: Messrs. Luxton, of Winnipeg, and Douglas, of Emerson. Premier Fielding of Nova Scotia, is an ex-journalist. Each of the other provinces elected representatives of the press, many of whom are a credit to the profession.

POLITICS IN OTTAWA.

Split in the Conservative Ranks ---Hon. Mr. Mowat Wanted.

Advices from Ottawa are to the effect that political matters at Ottawa City for the Provincial Legislature still continue mixed, and there are at present no signs of either party holding a convention. The Conservatives have cancelled their call for a convention to allow of dissensions in their ranks being healed. Liberals claim to be conscious that, politically, a marked change has come over the political complexion of Ottawa, and if they can nominate a fairly strong candidate the seat is theirs. Under this belief their disposition is not to nominate a weak man simply to present an appearance, but to make a nomination which means business. All elements of the Liberal party are agreed upon a local candidate as certain to carry the seat, but failing a satisfactory local candidate accepting the nomination, all elements of the Liberal party, Catholic as well as Protestant, are favorable to nominating the Hon. Oliver Mowat, Premier of Ontario, as the Liberal candidate for Ottawa City. Mr. Mowat would receive the written pledges in a requisition of more than enough votes to elect him if necessary. The local Liberals and Independent Conservatives would both support him, and his election, the Liberal leaders claim, would be a foregone conclusion. It would be a nomination that would rouse the electoral enthusiasm. But this nomination is only probable, failing a satisfactory local candidate.

The Granger's Reply.

It is intimated from Toronto that the Dominion grange have replied to the platform submitted for their consideration by the Dominion trades and labor congress. Regarding manhood suffrage they consider that an intellectual qualification if practicable would form the best basis of enfranchisement, but the difficulty of the application of this principle makes its confederation useless and failing that they would not favor any reduction; as any person with proper care and industry could, in reasonable time, acquire the necessary qualifications. They believe that income is the true basis of taxation, as upon it alone rests the ability to pay tax. Convicts should contribute to their own support and to some degree lighten the burdens of the country. They believe the time will undoubtedly come when the government, in the interests of the people, will be compelled to take the railroad, telegraph and telephone systems under their own control. If the government could, by assisted passages to immigrants, settle up the unoccupied lands with the right class of men, they would materially add to the wealth and strength of this country. They could not recommend a law making eight hours a day's work, as it would be impracticable on the farm. Regarding the prohibition of the importation of Chinese labor they think the Anglo Saxon race with its superiority of mind and muscle should have little to fear from competition in a fair field with the Mongolian.

Ontario's Escheats Case.

Exchequer appeals were taken up by the Supreme Court to-day, says an Ottawa dispatch of the 29th ultimo. The first was that of the Attorney-General of Ontario v. the Attorney-General of Canada, and was summarily disposed of, the appeal being dismissed. The case was somewhat peculiar in its nature. The petition was filed in order to obtain the opinion of the court as to the disposal of estates escheated for want of heirs or forfeited by attainder or otherwise. Application was made to Judge Gwynne for an order to have the case inscribed for hearing which he refused to do on the ground that there was no actual controversy in the matter and it was not a proper case to be set down. The Ontario counsel appealed to the Chief Justice sitting in the Exchequer Court and he dismissed the appeal, holding that a party could not appeal to that court from the decision of a judge in chambers in such a case. Appeal was then taken to the full court and yesterday dismissed.

West Bound.

BUTTE, B. C., Dec. 11.—The following passengers are on train No. 1 to-day: B McKenzie, Mrs Meek and four children, J R Northcott, T Jeffrey, J H Gloss, Mrs Curran and daughter, W F Woods, Mrs Charleston and child, Victoria; A Primrose, W Ferney, G D Frank, Pt. Moody; C H Duck, wife and sister, C George, J P Carroll, A Frightful, San Francisco; J T Hagerboom, Sacramento; T Backer and R T Crosi, Vancouver.

CUPID'S VICTIMS.

Another of Victoria's popular young men has fallen a victim to Cupid's darts and joined the noble order of Benedicts. Mr. Wm. Whyte of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway was to-day united in marriage to Miss Green, eldest daughter of Mr. A. Green, of Cowichan, a young lady who was well known and highly esteemed in this city, as well as in the neighborhood of her home. THE TIMES, with their many friends, joins in the wish that their journey down the stream of life many be happy and a prosperous one.

GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT.

The Buffalo *Courier* says that Lucius Tuttle, general passenger agent of the Boston and Lowell road, has been offered the position of general passenger agent for the Canadian Pacific. At present there is no such officer, Mr. Geo. Olds superintending both the freight and passenger traffic. The *Courier* says he is likely to accept.

CONSIGNEES

Per North Pacific from the Sound: Atwell King & Co, B C S Co, Butler Bros, D McPhadden, Ellis, George, S T Coofield, H Mansell, J Weiler, J H Todd & Son, J Braden, J Gosnell, M W Waitt & Co, R T Williams, S L Kelly & Son, S J Pitts, T Earle, Vict E & S Co, C Russell, J Parker, R Jamieson, S Leiser, T Crake, T N Hibben & Co, Steitz Bros.

Edward Hanlan, the oarsman, sails for Canada to-day. Being asked when his match with Beach on Nepean river, New South Wales, will be rowed, he said he preferred that it should take place in June. The stakes would be $5000 a side and Beach would allow him expenses.

Queen Victoria has decorated Prince Alexander with the Order of the Bath.

The Duke of Manchester announces a permanent reduction of 25 per cent in rents on all his estates in Ireland.

The Liberals of Toronto have nominated Mr. John Leys, barrister, as their standard bearer for the local legislature. Arrangements are in progress by that party to also support Mr. March, the Labor candidate. Messrs. Leys and March would make a strong team for the Queen city.

FROM THE OLD WORLD.

The Crisis in France--New Ministry--Dillon on his Trial.

The Campbell v. Campbell Divorce--Lady Colin Testifies.

Dillon in Court.

DUBLIN, Dec. 11.—The case of the government against John Dillon, for agitation in favor of the Irish National League plan of campaign, was brought up for hearing to-day. Dillon was absent. Holmes, Attorney-General for Ireland, in presenting the case for the government, declared the so-called campaign illegal and took occasion to announce he had never, as reported, said otherwise. After a prolonged wrangle with the court and lawyers for the Crown, Healy, counsel for Dillon, secured the right to cross-examine various witnesses from whom the government had obtained affidavits upon which the prosecution is largely relying for its testimony. The case was then adjourned to give an opportunity for securing the attendance of these witnesses.

New French Cabinet.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Gobelet has finished the formation of the ministry, which is announced as follows: Gobelet, President of Council, and Minister of the Interior; Adinterin, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Douphine, Minister of Finance; Berthelet; Minister of Instructions; Surrier, Minister of Justice; Gen. Boulanger, Minister of War; Admiral Aubre, Minister of Marine; Granet, Minister of Posts and Telegraph; Lockroy, Minister of Commerce; E. Mila, Minister of Public Works; Deville, Minister of Agriculture.

To be Re-named.

ODESSA, Dec. 11.—In accordance with an imperial order all the small towns and villages in Russia bearing German names will be given Russian names at the beginning of the year. Russia-German inhabitants bitterly resent the action of the government.

Lady Colin on the Stand.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—In the Campbell divorce case to-day Lady Colin Campbell was called. She entered the witness box with profound silence. She was pale, and testified in a slow, distinct voice. She said that until the family meeting at Thurloe Square in 1883 she had exchanged letters daily with her husband when absent. Before their marriage Lord Colin asked her if she would consent when married to their occupying separate rooms. She consented, and Lord Colin asked her not to divulge the fact that he had made this request. She insisted on telling her mother. The nature of his illness was unknown to her till May, 1883. She never pressed Lord Colin to marry her, but her mother disliked long engagements. She said she was educated in Italy, and spoke Italian and French before she learned the English language. She sang, painted and wrote books. She was also a journalist. She sang at forty charity concerts, not one of which Lord Colin attended. She taught night classes of factory girls, visited the poor in the day time, and served soup for two hours and worked daily, aiding the poor of Saffron Hill. Lord Colin knew of every engagement and of every work among the poor, and he never objected. She went into society alone by her husband's express wish, in order that the fact of his illness should be unknown. He wished it understood he was engaged in the House of Commons. Lord Colin accepted engagements for both, and then desired her to go alone. Her husband went to Scotland in 1882, and she attended him. She left him there in order to visit her mother. He was better at the time and preferred her to go. She felt ill the first five days after the consummation of her marriage, in November, 1881. She was very ill, and was never free from the symptoms until April, 1885. The sickness, she said, was of varied intensity. Sometimes she suffered great pains. She spoke to her husband of her complaint, and he said; "Its of no consequence. All women have that sort of thing." In February, 1882, Lord Colin returned home. On one occasion, while sitting beside her couch, he began to cry, and said people were very cruel in saying he ought not to have married on account of his health. The same evening Lord Colin said it was better to be on the safe side, and he told her what precautions to take. She followed his directions, and it gave her great pain. She consulted Dr. Bird in November, 1882, and he examined her. In April, 1883, she was seriously ill, and was attended by Dr. Bird. Dr. Hicks was twice summoned. The operation was performed in October, 1883, and she afterward improved. She did not know the nature of her own or her husband's illness. Lord Colin urged her to dismiss Rose Baer, who, he said, gossiped about him in the kitchen. She (witness) objected, because she thought Rose a good maid. Lord Colin insisted, and she gave Rose a month's notice. She asked O'Neill what Rose had been saying. O'Neill replied: "She said the Duke of Marlborough visited your room at Leigh Court." It was untrue that she (witness) said to O'Neill, "It is a damned lie." Rose denied what she was accused of, cried, and I said that she was a wicked girl. Witness said that she had lied so wickedly that she (witness) would withdraw the advertisement for a situation for her, and she would refuse to give her a certificate of character. She dismissed Rose forthwith. She never told the servants how to announce visitors. She never had the Duke of Marlborough at supper. Sir Phillip Miles occupied the room next to hers at Leigh Court. The room on the other side was empty, being kept for her husband. She did not know that the Duke of Marlborough occupied it. She was not at Purfleet on the Saturday night on which she was accused of having been there with the Duke of Marlborough. He went to the theatre with a lady friend. On the Sunday following, she took tea with Lady Miles, and dined with her mother, Mrs. Blood. Referring to her visit to Paris in the month of May, 1884, she said she was on her way to Italy. The meeting with the Duke of Marlborough, was purely accidental. She was taken ill at the concert, and was in great pain. She drove to Dr. Bird's house, and remained until the doctor prepared some medicine for her, when she returned home, arriving there at eleven o'clock. It was untrue that she leaned her head upon Dr. Bird's shoulder while driving home. She gave an absolute denial to the evidence of Rose Baer, Mrs. Duffy, O'Neill and other witnesses, and declared that she never committed adultery with the Duke of Marlborough or any other man.

Lady Campbell gave her evidence with perfect composure, and the fullest self-possession. She gave ready responses to the questions asked. She wore a plain blue serge dress and black bonnet. Her whole style was that of simple elegance. She is tall, lithe, shapely, and has full black eyes, with a clear, pallid complexion.

The Irish Question.

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The Irish question was discussed for two hours at the Cabinet Council yesterday. The government are apparently satisfied with their present rigorous policy and the Irish outlook generally, and have decided not to meet again till after Christmas, unless some unforseen event compels them. Several of them have already left town for the holidays. Foreign affairs were scarcely discussed at all, as it is understood the government do not regard the rumors about French interference in Egypt as serious.

Prize Fight Stopped.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The police prevented a prize fight for the championship which was to have taken place in London to-day between Jem Smith and Jack Knifton, the 81-tonner. Seventeen men were arrested.

ACROSS THE BORDER.

Happenings in the United States --Boodler's Trial in New York.

Editor Cutting's Fillibustering Scheme--Congressional News.

New York's Boodlers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—At the McQuade trial to-day ex-Alderman Duffy was again on the stand and subjected to a continuation of cross-examination by lawyer Newcomb. The re-direct examination was begun by Nicoll who, in trying to extricate the testimony of the witness from its muddled condition stated that Duffy had sworn falsely at the first trial. Witness replied that he made a mistake as he had a poor memory. "Mr. Duffy," spoke up the recorder, "yesterday you testified that you swore falsely before the Senate Committee, because you were told to so testify. Who told you what to say?" At this point Newcomb arose, his face pallid and his lips blanched and said "I ask permission to take the witness stand in my own behalf in regard to this matter." The Recorder said Newcomb should be allowed to make a statement but he would not have an opportunity for speech making. Duffy was then dismissed. John F. Thompson, broker, then swore that on the 16th December, 1884, McQuade bought stock from him and paid for it $5,987 in bills of large denominations.

Editor Cutting.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 11.—Mr. Cutting, the Texas editor, arrived in this city yesterday from Fort Worth, Texas. To a reporter he stated that he had abandoned his plan of action in the South for the present, but that the preliminaries of his Mexican Colonization scheme were still being vigorously pushed. He intends to lecture through the North and devote the proceeds to a fund for paying off the board of counsellors who have worked with him for the scheme. "We have," he said, "about two thousand men elected already, and the work is still going on. A Chicago syndicate of capitalists told us that if we could raise seven or eight thousand men for the work they would furnish $18,000,000 to pay the expense of the undertaking. So you see we will not lack money."

U. S. Crop Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The crop report of the Department of Agriculture says the December returns of average from prices by counties show a material reduction as compared in value of the crops of 1885. In wheat, rye, barley and corn an advance has been made nearly equivalent to a percentage in the reduction in the quantity of oats, in sympathy with corn rather than with small grains used for human food. The average is slightly higher than the value of that of last year. The farm value of corn was 33 cents higher than the crop of 1884. The average for the previous five years was 44; for the last ten years prior to 1880 it was 42 cents. The average for December price of wheat is 69 cents or a cent reduction of 8 cents from the average value of last crop and 4½ cents above the price of 1884.

Congressional Courtesies.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—When Cox of New York took the oath of office to-day he found himself in the embarrassing position of having to occupy a seat on the outer row upon the Republican side. But from this embarrassment he was relieved by courtesy of Representative J. D. Sayers, of Texas, who, upon being introduced to Mr. Cox, congratulated him, his party and the country upon his return to legislative labors. Mr. Sayers then, in a spirit of courtesy, tendered his seat to Mr. Cox. The seat is a prominent one on the Democratic side and was occupied by Mr. Cox during several Congresses. Cox, though loth to dislodge Mr. Sayers, was finally induced to accept the courtesy, and taking from his scarf a pearl pin of the design of the star and crescent, he presented it to Mr. Sayers as a memento of the occasion.

Pugilistic Congressman.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 11.—John Baker, Congressman elect from 18th Illinois district, who defeated Morrison, has pleaded guilty before a justice of the peace at Belleville, to the charge of assault and battery, and was fined $5 and costs. On November 26th a Belleville reporter was engaged in a dispute with Baker over the late election and was struck by the latter over the head several times with a cane, as well as on the shoulders. The city marshal considered this a case of assault and battery; a complaint to which the Congressman pleaded guilty to.

Fire in Michigan.

CLINTON, Mich., Dec. 11.—The extensive woolen mills of this village were burned this morning; loss $180,000. The building was lighted by gas made from a gasoline pipe and burst, filling one room with gas. Eddie Coddling and Bobbie Berry went to a room with a lantern at 6 o'clock and an explosion followed; the fire spread rapidly over the mill; insurance, $40,000.

Financial.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The weekly bank statement shows a reserve decrease of $2,095,003. Banks now hold $4,751,250 in excess of legal requirements.

An Operation.

PORT TOWNSEND, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Houghtaling of this place died here today from the effects of an operation performed on her a few days since. She was about 20 year old.

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MANITOBA'S VERDICT.

The result of the vote of Thursday last in Manitoba has verified the predictions made by THE TIMES as to the final issue. The NORQUAY government, by the skin of its teeth, was sustained, but by a greatly reduced majority, secured principally in the river constituencies, which are composed largely of natives and French. In the southern tier of counties, lying between the International boundary line and the Canadian Pacific railway, from the river constituencies to the western limit of the province, the opposition made all but a clean sweep of that which undoubtedly is the garden of the Northwest, and peopled by a very intelligent class of settlers. Three counties are still to be heard from; one of these, it is expected, will be Liberal, and one independent, while the third is in doubt. The straight opposition contingent in the new House will be 16, for it is known that Mr. DAVID GLASS, of St. Clements, while professing independence, is a pronounced Liberal. Mr. GELLY, for Cartier, was elected as independent. The utterances of Mr. DREWERY, of North Winnipeg, were also strictly independent. The actual result then is that should a speaker be chosen from the Norquayites the ranks of the government will tie those of the opposition, the consequence of which will be a deadlock in the legislature of that province. This is something more than a "moral victory," as our esteemed, but miguided contemporary, the *Colonist* endeavors to make it appear. The verdict of the electors of Manitoba sounds the death-knell of Tory misrule in that fair province. The late contest was the first occasion in which party lines were defined, and the Liberals have every reason to be satisfied with the result of their efforts. It is but a question now of a few months until the NORQUAY fabric is shattered to atoms. The fact that the cabinet were all elected does not impart prestige to the tottering concern. The premier is possessed of a peculiar kind of talent, but he has proved himself to be a corrupt minister, and unworthy the exalted position he occupies. His administration of the affairs of the province has been characterized with the grossest of extravagance, rushing the province headlong into bankruptcy. If the charge recently made against him of personal bribery can be substantiated, it will result in a step devoutly wished for by many of his followers as well as the opposition—his stepping down and out of office. In his cabinet there are no strong men, famed for their executive or administrative ability. When the province was in its infancy such political chameleons as Hon. Messrs. BROWN and HAMILTON might have been able to grapple with questions affecting the best interests of the province, such as frequently arise in the management of insignificant township councils in the east. Manitoba has passed beyond that limit and requires wise, progressive men at the head of its affairs. The ability to administer the affairs of their respective offices, possessed by Drs. WILSON and HARRISON and Hon. Mr. LA RIEVIERE is of a very negative character. The government "machine" has been run by looney subordinates at an enormous cost to the electors. An end will now be put to this state of affairs, which if allowed to continue would plunge Manitoba, like unto Quebec, irretrievably into bankruptcy.

The result is the more satisfactory to the Liberals from the fact that for months past the Dominion government has been straining every nerve, and using every means, however questionable, within its power to weaken the weapons of the opposition. Repeated visits to the several districts of the province had been made by the Minister of the Interior. The great chieftain himself made appeals to the electors, one of which was in his speech at Brandon, which was published and mailed to every settler in the province. It was his last request that the NORQUAY government should be sustained. He counselled and advised harmony in the ranks of his disaffected followers. His henchmen in Winnipeg, goaded on by promises of offices of emolument urged the electors to vote for the men of Sir JOHN'S choice and that party, even if the country should go to the dogs. This was the Shibboleth of the Tory party in Manitoba; its party cry from Dan even unto Beersheba. The weak and the vacilating were captivated by such cries; but the stern, thoughtful and intellectual portion of the electors would not be seduced by any such buncomb. Thus the Ottawa government has received another warning to put its affairs in order for the approaching change, which is coming as certain as the sun-rise of to-morrow morning. The Manitoba Liberals have to be congratulated upon the stand they took for provincial rights and other kindred topics affecting the sovereignty of each province in the Dominion, and the splendid success which has crowned their efforts. In its appeal to the electors of the province on the Tuesday preceding the election, the *Free Press*, in closing its remarks, said:

> However the Conservatives of this province may vote on the 9th of December, we believe that they will renounce the booby doctrine that would carry them back to tribalism, barbarism, and unthinking degradation.

The result of the election has verified the prediction made by that excellent journal, whose proprietor is a member of the new house and a "coming man" in the executive council of the prairie province, for it is quite within the possibilities that the next change will see Mr. W. F. LUXTON Premier of Manitoba, a country for which he has so nobly and so unselfishly battled for many years.

SHOULD BE EXTERMINATED.

India, observes a contemporary, in many of her important enterprises, has always been severely trammelled by the ravages of wild beasts and venomous poisonous snakes. Prior to that vast country becoming a British possession many thousands of people annually lost their lives to satisfy the hunger of tigers, leopards, wolves, hyenas and several other kinds of carniverous animals, while the venomous coba-de-capello alone killed almost an equal number. The Hindoos were never a people to take proper precaution against dangers of this description. A procession of them would walk through the jungle at night where tigers were known to be lurking, and one or two of the stragglers could fail of being slaughtered. But this never made any difference with the others, some of whom in a little while might be caught in the same manner. With an equal disregard for personal safety the natives have always been accustomed to go about, in fields infested by cobras, with feet and legs entirely unprotected. Since the country has been a British dependency every effort has been made to eradicate these destructive creatures. The government offered a liberal bounty for the body of every animal or snake dangerous to human life, while military officers and other English gentlemen often joined with natives in grand tiger hunts. For several years it has been popularly supposed that these severe measures were proving too much for the reptiles and the four footed savages, and that India was in a fair way of release from the drawbacks occasioned by their ravages. But the figures at hand, describing what was done in 1885, put a rather different complexion on the case. It seems that during the year, in the central provinces, 263 more persons were killed by animals and snakes than during the previous year. Of wild beasts, tigers, as usual, were the most destructive, their victims numbering 110 against 98 for 1884; but the number of tigers killed was only 221 against 260 in the previous year. Last year, in the same district, 1066 human beings died from snake bite, and the year before there were only 797. In the number of snakes killed the comparison is again in favor of 1884, the figures being 2378 to 1997. In an official document on the subject a satisfactory increase is reported in the number of wild animals destroyed, but this increase is entirely due to the large slaughter of bears, wolves and hyenas. It appears from these statements that two snakes or two tigers cost one human life, which seems a pretty dear price. In discussing this subject a late Indian paper declares that a large army of trained hunters should be organized to pursue and exterminate these deadly enemies of mankind.

TRADE IN AUSTRALIA.

The latest advices from the Australian colonies show signs of an improvement in general trade and financial affairs. The outlook everywhere is reported to be very promising. The pastoral and agricultural areas of Australia have been visited with splendid rains, and there is no further prospect of danger from drouth this season. The effect upon the wool-growing industry has been immense, and many of the stock routes in the interior have been flooded. Large quantities of wool are arriving at Melbourne and Adelaide from the Riverina district, having been water-borne from the interior on the river Darling. In South Australia the grain prospects are favorable. The stock of wheat on hand is only sufficient for requirements. Attention was centered on the yield of the American and European crops, and it is noted that the consumption in the United States is gaining on the excess of supply for export.

The large and maintained increase in wool values has had a marked effect on the business prospects, and anticipations are more hopeful than they have been for the last three or four years. In commercial circles there is an air of hopefulness, but the centers of population are by no means free from depressing conditions, especially in New South Wales and South Australia. Queensland is gradually emerging from the depression which has rested upon it. Reports are also uniformly favorable from Victoria. In New Zeland there is still severe commercial depression and a lack of animation in business. In the north part of the island especially there will be considerable concern until farmers receive an installment from their wool revenue, so that the accounts of storekeepers and merchants may be eased. The money market has shown signs of activity, and capitalists have been more inclined to invest on mortgage, instead of placing their funds on fixed deposit with the bank.

THE Liberals of Toronto are to be addressed this (Friday) evening, in the Gardens Pavilion, by the Hon. Messrs. BLAKE and LAURIER. It is said that both these talented gentlemen have been preparing for extra efforts and that something worthy of them and the fame they enjoy of being Canada's ablest sons will be forthcoming. The pavilion is the largest public building in Canada, yet the indications were such that the managers of the meeting found it necessary to increase the seating accommodation. The enthusiasm of both parties in the east over their leaders appears to be unbounded.

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In the terras calientes (hot lands) the children often go naked, and the grown people wear no more clothing than their partial civilization demands. The flat-roofed adobe house, the palm covered cane hut or cave in the hillside serves all the purposes of an earthly habitation for those whose lives are passed within them. But here in the coolest part of the republic—a mile and a half above the level of the sea—nature has so elevated the country and lowered the temperature that clothing is a necessity. There is sufficient rain to penetrate the flat roofs and drown out the cave dwellers, hence we find people living above ground and under inclined roofs. Thus they have advanced by the sheer necessity of their external surroundings; but where nature has not acted with compulsory force they still remain in a condition that is scarcely above that of the lower animals in some respect.

THE FAMILY CIRCLE.

The houses are built of mud, stone and adobe. They have dirt floors and shed roofs which are covered with mud mortar about six inches deep. They seldom have windows or any other provision for light and ventilation except the door. We often find a large family living in one of these rooms. When the evening comes a family circle is formed around a few ancient earthen mugs and jars which are set on the dirt floor; from these they take their scant and simple meal; after which a round of cigaretts are smoked, the door is barred, the flickering tallow candle is blown out, and while the unsavory fumes of the smoking wick is permeating the entire room the last one retires to rest in this dungeon home, a home then darker than the blackest night, as unsavory as the dungeon of the doomed, and almost as sickly and deadly as the black-hole of Calcutta.

We see these creatures on their knees every day and with outstretched arms they bemoan their lot and beg of God in his mercy to grant them more blessings, after which they employ what little mental and physical force they possess in rejecting these which have already been granted. "What fools these mortals be."

Their diet consists of the various fruits of the tropic, with goat's meat, goat' milk and tortillas (corn cakes) made of salt and water. The meal is ground by hand between stones similar to those used by the ancients. In place of stoves and iron cooking utensils, they use elevated fire places and earthen jars, which are placed over charcoal fires. The knowledge of cooking among all classes of women is as meager as the means used, hence the breakfast biscuit, white loaf bread, pies, preserves and puddings of the United States are never seen in Mexico.

DRESS OF WOMEN.

The women wear shawls over their heads in place of hats and bonnets and the fashion never changes. Their feet are small and they wear tight shoes with very high heels. Among the lower class plain-cut, bright-red dresses are often worn, but among the higher classes a combination of bright colors is prefered.

The men of every class have a passionate fondness for dressed sheep, goat, or deer skin suits. These are often fringed, painted and embroidered with silver. The pantaloons are often striped down the side with rows of buttons and buckles and the wide-brimmed sombrero is often adorned with silver stars, tassels and a few rounds of heavy silver cord around the crown. The peons wear very low-crowned, wide-brimmed straw hats, and in place of coats they wear heavy woolen blankets winter and summer. Though I am now in the torrid zone and to-day is July 12th, yet I see the natives passing or sunning themselves with their blankets wound around them up to the nose. Mothers are passing with their babies wrapped up out of sight and the men use sandals in place of shoes or boots. A few are dressed as we find them in the United States. Thus it is the old and the new, the high and the low are all seen at one view.—Zacatecas Cor. Detroit Free Press.

An Afternoon at Cold Harbor.

Then as the day wore away and the troops were well in hand again, I saw staff officers ride along the lines, which were generally under the shelter of crests of hills, and then I saw the regimental commanders getting their men into line. About 4 o'clock in the afternoon I heard the charging commands given. With many an oath at the military stupidity which would again send good troops to useless slaughter, I sprang to my feet and watched the doomed infantry. Men whom I knew well stood rifle in hand not more than thirty feet from me, and I am happy to state that they continued to stand. Not a man stirred from his place. The army to a man refused to obey the order, presumably from Gen. Grant, to renew the assault. I heard the foolish and wicked order given and I saw it disobeyed. Many of the enlisted men had been up to and over the Confederate works. They had seen their strength. Grant, Meade, Hancock, Warren, Wright, Burnside, none of them had been near the works. And if they did not know that they could not be taken by direct assault the enlisted men did know it, and they refused to make a second attempt. That night we began to entrench. By daylight we had our earthworks finished and were safe.—Frank Wilkinson in Chicago Times.

Sobering Off Drunken Men.

Passing by a Turkish bath-room at a late hour the other night I noticed two half-drunken men going in to take baths. Returning the same way sometimes later I saw these two men coming out apparently sober and fresh looking. Having my curiosity aroused, I accosted the proprietor as to what he had done for them. He said: "We gave them baths and rubbed them down in the regular way. It sobers a man up and puts him in a condition to go home to his family without giving himself away as having made a night of it. I make a specialty of this thing, and keep open all night. I usually treat about twelve or fifteen such men every night."—Cor. New York News.

He Disowned the Coat.

There is a portrait of a famous man in the Academy this year, the work of a well-known R. A., and it has been subjected to a peculiar criticism. Among the visitors one day was the artist who has the privilege of making the clothes worn by the subject of the portrait. He gazed on the work and admired the likeness; then, turning to a friend, he remarked with evident emotion, "But, Great Scott, I never made that coat!"—Paris American Register.

A Curious Discussion Taking Place.

A curious discussion is now taking place at the London Astronomical society, where Mr. Common maintains that the photographic camera sees more than the eye, and Mr. Haynard maintains the contrary. As photographic plates vary according to the make, and as the power of the human eye also varies in different individuals, it is probable that this discussion will continue for a considerable time.—Boston Budget.

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Or royally are large white clouds enrolled,
Where up the azure mighty branches climb,
On eyes that see and hearts that contemplate
No shadow falls of days degenerate—
They reckon but by seasons' change the time;
Here the vain babblings of unlovely hours
Cringe into silence before holier powers.
—Macmillian's Magazine.

A Chinese "Church" in New York.

Pedestrians up and down Chatham street, or, as it is now known, Park row, have noticed an unusually large number of Chinamen arrayed in holiday attire passing in and out of the narrow hallway of 202 Mott street. It bears the name of "Joss," and tells the devoutly inclined Celestials that the temple is up-stairs. The altar is of carved ebony, practically a large frame for the picture of Joss and his attendant deities, executed on satin in the most elaborate style of Chinese art, and a heavy table for holding the incense burners and votive offerings. The chairs and tables are in the same style of rich Oriental carving and the room is lighted by carved lanterns hanging from the ceiling. The walls are hung with Chinese mottoes, the air is heavy with incense and it is hard to believe that we are in New York and not in Cathay.

I noticed a large proportion of the worshipers would come in, make their obeisance to the altar, burn a few prayer-sticks and go out. Some, however, remained a longer time and gave the priest sums varying from 25 cents to $1.00. In response to my inquiry the old priest said: "A man can say all that he wants to in three minutes, so he have three minutes for nothing; if he have a good deal to say he pay 25 cents for next three minutes, 50 for next three, and so on. No good to pray too long." Then he added after a moment's reflection: "In Melican church man talks an hour and everybody pray two hours or two hours and half, then make collection beg to pay minister. Chinese way, 500 or 600 people pray two hours; we make $2,000 or $3,000." The system strikes me as a good one. It pays the expenses of the temple and discourages garrulity. With its dingy exterior the Chinese of New York have now one of the most richly furnished places of worship in the city.—Allan Forman in Chicago Tribune.

A Novel Feminine Freak.

A late feminine freak has the merit of being strictly novel and deliciously absurd. There is a young English miniature painter in this city who has gained a great reputation among fashionable women, not for making their charming faces immortal upon ivory; not for sending them down as precious heirlooms of loveliness to admiring great-grandchildren, who will believe firmly in the rose bloom of their pictured skins and wonder at their quaint coiffures and picturesque gowns. He reproduces them piecemeal.

In his study are ovals of ivory upon which is a mass of crinkled auburn hair for example, or a Cupid's bow of a mouth of smooth scarlet loveliness, or a satiny, crumpled pink ear, and best and most beautiful of all, eyes of hue, shape and expression. These are not combined, but are separate pictures. A woman who has some exquisite feature goes to him and has it preserved for her lover or her husband. Eyes are the favorites, however, and among those of well-known women he has in his collection is that of Mme. Barrios, the widow of the late president of Guatemala. They do not have the pair painted even, but just the one melting eye with the fringes surrounding it and the arch above. Mme. Barrios' eye is large, almond-shaped and of velvety blackness, with a thick fringe of lashes and a brow as clear and fine as if drawn with a pen.—New York World.

Important to Shorthand Writers.

It is proposed to hold in the autumn of 1887 an international congress of shorthand writers of all existing systems, and of persons interested in shorthand generally, to celebrate conjointly two events of importance: first, the jubilee of the introduction of Mr. Isaac Pitman's system of phonography, marking as it does an era in the development of shorthand on scientific principles; second, the tercentenary of modern shorthand, originated by Dr. Timothy Bright about 1587, continued by Peter Bales (1590), John Willis (1602), Edmond Willis (1618), Shelton (1620), Cartwright (1642), Rich (1646), Mason (1672), Gurney (1740), Byrom (1767), Mavot (1780), Taylor (1786), Lewis (1812), and many others in past generations, and finally by Mr. Pitman and other English and continental authors of the present day.—Pall Mall Gazette.

He Saw His Dead Brother.

A few days ago a German visited the "Battle of Sedan." Not that he is the only German who has ever visited this great picture, but this is a peculiar case. While on the platform he asked the lecturer where the Eleventh Prussian army corps was, and on its being pointed out to him replied that he had a brother a member of that division, who was killed at Sedan. The lecturer, for the sake of a joke, said: "Yes, I know it. Yonder is his dead body now, lying at this end of the line." The simple-minded Dutchman imagined that he could see his brother, and, bursting into tears, left the platform, muttering: "Mein armer bruder! mein armer bruder!" (My poor brother, my poor brother.)—Cincinnati Sun.

Slang of the Circus Fakirs.

The circus fakirs call everybody "guys." Some—the more important persons—are designated as "main guys." Contrymen as "jays" and "hayseeds," "blokes," and "suckers." Money is "bunt," "tin," or "cases." Beer or other drinks are spoken of as "lush," clothes as "togs," or "harness," food as "grub," conversation as "weedings," the verb to see is rendered "stag," eyes are called "ogles," a hat a "dicer" or a "cady," while ladies are spoken of as "dames," girls as "molls," argument as "guff," clowns as "joeys," and bank bills as "flimsies."—Chicago Herald.

The Artist and Joe Jefferson.

Dropping in at A. F. Bunner's studio one day that painter said that Jefferson had called on him but half an hour previously, and on seeing some of his newer work expressed surprise that he should have departed from his Venetian subjects, which had a commercial value higher than anything he had then undertaken. "Confound it," ejaculated Bunner, "you wouldn't have a man do one thing all the time, would you?" The words had barely left his lips when he remembered that Jefferson was to play Rip that night for the thousandth time or so, and he hastened to explain the assertion, but the actor winced and flushed, showing that the dart had gone home. His sole retort was in his reply to a slight by Charles Mathews: "It is better to play one part in different ways than to play many parts all in one way."—Brooklyn Eagle.

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(LIMITED).

ASSESSMENT No 9.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an assessment of one cent per share has been levied upon the members of the above company, payable at the company's Office, Langley Street Victoria.

The stock on which the above assessment remains unpaid after the first day of December next shall from and after that date be deemed delinquent. Dated 12th Nov., 1886, by order of the Directors.

GEO. A. SARGISON,
nov 13 Secretary.

Notice.

MR. GUSTAV LEISER HAS BEEN Admitted as a partner in the business of a Dry Goods Merchant, now carried on by Moses Lenz upon Government Street, and the concern will henceforth be known as "LENZ & LEISER."

Victoria, Dec. 4, 1886 MOSES LENZ.
GUSTAV LEISER.

Witness, THEODORE DAVIE.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT I INTEND to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Magistrates for a transfer to me of the license to sell malt and spirituous liquors granted to James Townley Porter, upon the premises known as the Queen Chop House, Yates street, Victoria.

WILLIAM WHITE.
Victoria, Dec. 2nd, 1886. de2-2w

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we intend to apply at the next sitting of the Licensing Board, for a Retail Liquor License at our place called the Poodle Dog Hotel and Restaurant, Yates Street.

HAMM and MARBOEUF,
Dec 1-2w Proprietors.

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(Opposite Barns' & Co.'s Hardware Store.)

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A share of public favors solicited.

WILLIAM [illegible]

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D. Richards, Manufacturers

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Esquimalt and Nanaimo

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The Daily Times.

PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Victoria, Saturday, Dec. 11, 1886.

BIRTH.

LIVINGSTONE.—At Savona, on Nov. 14th, the wife of W. Livingstone, of a son.

MARRIED.

WHITE—GREEN.—At Lisdon, Cowichan, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. R. B. Hemlaw, Mr. William Whyte, of Victoria, to Sarah Louisa, eldest daughter of A. Green, Esq.

DIED.

TOLMIE.—At Cloverdale, Victoria District, on the 8th December, William Fraser Tolmie, F. M. C. G., a native of Inverness, Scotland, in the 75th year of his age.

☞ The funeral will take place on SUNDAY, Dec. 12, at 1 p. m., from the residence, and 2 p. m. from St. John's Church.

LIVINGSTONE.—At the residence of J. B. Leighton, Savona, Ellen Vircoe, beloved wife of W. Livingstone, aged 22 years.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Sixty-two prisoners are in the provincial gaol.

—For first-class Canadian butter go to FELL & Co.

—Money saved by having your plans made by FISHER, the ARCHITECT.

—The fire alarm last night was due to the burning of a chimney on Fort street in Dr. Matthews' house.

—Annual sale of unredeemed pledges at Uncle Aaronson's for three weeks only.

—The expenditures of the C. P. R. Co. in the city of Vancouver since last April amount to the large sum of $235,000.

—Bavaria beer, five cents per glass, at the Royal Hotel, cor. Fort & Douglas streets.

—The *Columbian* says New Westminster is badly in want of a restaurant that will remain open all night.

Photographic views along the line of the C. P. R. in B. C., for sale at R. MAYNARD's, Douglas St.

—C. P. R. telegraph rates down east to all offices within fifteen miles have been made 15c for ten words, and one cent for each additional word.

—If Thomas Beatty, of Brockville, Ont., will call at THE TIMES office, he will find a letter for him, on important business.

—The railway commission is still in session at Ottawa, and will probably sit in Winnipeg after New Year's. It is not yet known whether it will visit Victoria.

—For Christmas goods FELL & Co. have always carried off the palm, and this year have not only a much larger supply but a greater variety.

—Christmas is near at hand, and FELL & Co., as they always have, had the first assortment of new fruits, and are now in receipt of a second consignment.

—Mr. W. H. Mason has returned to the city and will resume business at the old stand corner Trounce Alley and Broad street.

—Fresh oysters by the bottle delivered to all parts of the city. Young Bros., New England Bakery, Government street, between Yates and Johnson streets.

—Those who wish to send their photos to the "old country" in time for Xmas, would do well to sit now and avoid the Xmas rush. HALL & LOWE, Photographers, Government St.

—Rev. Thos. Scoular, pastor of the Erskine church, Hamilton, has received a call from the congregation of St. Andrew's church, New Westminster. He has not yet decided to accept it.

—F. Mercier, a noted Alaskan explorer, is in Ottawa on business connected with the geological survey. He has presented the government with a collection of four thousand specimens.

—JOS. SOMMERS' store is head-quarters for pictures, frames and mirrors. Mouldings in great variety; also latest patterns in fine furniture made to order at low prices; call and examine.

—You can buy good WALNUTS at 10c. per pound and a variety of nuts; the Santa Claus lucky stockings at 5c per pair; bonbons, from 25c per box and upwards at 210 Fort street.—J. Hawkins, proprietor.

—Mr. L. A. Hamilton, of the C. P. R., has received a telegram from Ottawa stating that the present mail system from the east will be maintained during this winter.

—GOODWIN & JORDAN, piano manufacturers, tuning and repairing. FACTORY CORMORANT street, between Douglas and Blanchard. First class work only. Telephone 98; P. O. box 422.

—PATIENCE REWARDED! Those who awaited the arrival of my Christmas fruits will now be rewarded by obtaining the best fruits in the market. A. OFNER, corner Government and Fort streets.

—FELL & Co. having completed arrangements in the east for the supply of choicest Butter and Cheese from the best dairies, are now in a position to give their customers the full benefit of such arrangements.

—NEW SEASON'S FRUIT, 1886.—Fine Malaga raisins, Valencias, currants, Smyrna figs, almonds, &c., for mince pies and puddings, sold at the lowest possible prices at 210 Fort street—J. Hawkins, proprietor.

—F. C. Innes & Co., Real Estate Brokers, and Financial Agents, Vancouver, B. C., attend promptly to all enquiries about the terminal city; *Free Reading Room* for use of strangers arriving in Vancouver.

—If you want a banjo, tambourine or fiddle for the young folks, full of bonbons, slip in at 210 Fort street, where you will also find a good assortment of groceries, provisions, &c.—J. Hawkins, proprietor.

—The Mexico on her down trip this time has 400 sacks of potatoes on board, shipped by an enterprising Puget Sounder to San Francisco on speculation. She has also 900 cases of oil for the same city, which came over the Canadian Pacific.

Hall & Quackenbush, Vancouver, B. C have the most complete list of business and suburban properties for sale at the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Price and terms to suit all parties. Inquiries by mail promptly answered. References.

—Mr. H. Abbott is advertising for tenders for the completion of the unfinished portion of the work between Port Moody and Vancouver. This action on the part of the company indicates that it is of opinion that the decision of Major vs. C. P. R. is final. In the interests of the plaintiffs themselves it is to be hoped the end of all litigation has been reached.

—The benefit for Mr. Graham, the injured carpenter, given by the Athletic Club, will take place at the skating rink Monday night. The cause is a worthy one and there should be a large attendance. The many friends and sympathizers of the beneficiary have been making strenuous efforts to secure a large assemblage.

—The Winnipeg *Free Press* says that the Messrs. Egan, of that city, in addition to getting out 125,000 ties for the C. P. R., will take out 10,000 cords of wood. Mr. W. Skead will take out 100,000 ties for the C. P. R.; Egan and Irvine 6,000 cords of wood, and Buchanan & Sullivan 5,000 cords of wood. The Messrs. Egan went to the woods on Saturday with 154 men.

A MONOPOLISTIC CITY.

A contemporary states that the Dominion government has ordered the removal of the new wharf on Carrol street, Vancouver, which has recently been erected by a private company. We hope the rumor is untrue. The plea that a wharf on Coal Harbor is an interference with navigation is perhaps the most nonsensical excuse that could be put forward. The wharf in question becomes the property of the corporation in two years, and in the hands of the city would be a valuable property. It is the only independent wharf in the city, and more depends upon its maintenance than at first sight appears. To ensure the free and unrestricted navigation of the inlet there must be no monopoly of wharves, and no greater blow could be struck at the future of the city than the issuance of such an order by the Dominion government. It would be the third heavy blow the young city had received. For several years past every one combined to fasten monopolies on Vancouver, and some are still at it. In a few years hence the majority will be striving, and ineffectually, to remove them.

FORESTERS' BALL.

The annual ball of Court Vancouver Lodge, No. 5755, A. O. F., was held in the Theatre Comique last night. The hall was handsomely decorated with flags, and in the middle hung the lodge's handsome banner, the costliest banner in the city. About sixty couples were present engaged in the delights of Terpsichore till long after midnight. About midnight a sumptuous supper was partaken of with great relish. The supper was one of the best ever set here at a ball, the edibles being all the delicacies of the season in abundance and quality, prepared by Mrs. Godding, who was loudly praised as a *cuisine*. The affair was a complete success, and the lodge—composed principally of our solid, industrious young men—should feel proud that their efforts to please were thoroughly appreciated by those present.

DUNSMUIR VS. O'BRIEN.

At the Nanaimo Assizes on Thursday, in the case of Mr. Robert Dunsmuir against Dr. O'Brien for libel, the jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff. The action for libel was based upon several articles of a personal nature, derogatory to the financial standing of the plaintiff, which appeared in the *Westward Ho*, a newspaper published by the defendant, and prior to the late provincial election. When the verdict of the jury was announced, Mr. C. E. Pooley, counsel for Mr. Dunsmuir, addressing the court, requested that the lightest penalty allowed by law might be inflicted. Mr. Dunsmuir had not been actuated by any vindictive feeling in pressing the suit, and now that he had been vindicated, he had no wish to see the defendant mulcted in heavy damages. Mr. Justice Gray, under these circumstances, imposed a fine of $20.

NAAS RIVER CHURCH.

The Toronto *Globe* says: One of the most interesting matters that came up at the meeting of the missionary committee of the Methodist Church was one in reference to the erection of a new church at Greenville, on the Naas river, British Columbia. After a great deal of deliberation the committee voted $2000 for the church, to be paid in four annual payments, with this condition that the Indians raise $800. It is the largest undertaking for the Indians that ever came before the committee, and shows the wonderful influence of the Gospel among them, when out of their poverty they are willing to pay so large a sum.

THE COAL TRADE.

J. W. Harrison's circular, issued at San Francisco last Saturday, says the arrivals of coal for the week have been from Great Britain and Australia, 4856 tons; from the Northern collieries, 7300 tons. Market quotations remain steady. The major portion of San Francisco's coal consumption for some time will be drawn from Nanaimo and Puget Sound, and these mines will be taxed to their utmost to supply the demand. The ship charters for coal from Nanaimo to San Francisco have been unusually large the last few weeks.

ALTAR AND GRAVE.

The engagement is announced in Ottawa of Capt., the Hon. A. Byng, son of the late Earl of Stratford, and A. D. C. to Lord Lansdowne, to Lady Winifred Herbert, eldest daughter of Lord Carnarvon. Her mother was the only daughter of Lord Chesterfield and she has a considerable fortune in her own right.

The death is announced of Lady Harriet Fletcher, the widow of Col. Fletcher, the well known private secretary of Lord Dufferin when the latter was Governor-General here.

GRAND OPENING OF THE NEW METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The grand opening of the new Methodist Sunday school will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 21st and 22nd instant, with a sale of articles suitable for Christmas presents. Lunch will be served from 12 o'clock to 2, and tea from 5 o'clock to 7 o'clock each day. Admission 25 cents; children half price. Admission free during lunch hours. All donations will be thankfully received by Mrs. Shakespeare and Miss Lazenby.

CRAZY CHINAMAN.

A Chinaman, named Ah Chu, who is no doubt insane, was arrested by officers Sheppard and Lindsay this afternoon. He has been frequenting an improvised dwelling in the rear of the Masonic Hall and was a nuisance to the residents of the vicinity. When arrested, he had a butcher's cleaver, with which he tried to strike the officers, and he was, with difficulty, overpowered and taken to gaol.

THE NEW STEAMER.

The C. P. N. Company has contracted with the Union Iron Works of San Francisco for their new and fast iron screw steamer of 1,000 tons. Her machinery will be of the latest pattern, including triple expansion engines, and she will have a speed of seventeen knots. She will be fitted up in the best style for a passenger boat, and her cost will approximate $200,000.

FISHERMEN FOR B. C.

From Ottawa it is learned that the Hon. Mr. Foster, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, continues to receive additional enquiries from Newfoundland and Labrador fishermen regarding the discovery of black cod off the British Columbia coast. The fishermen state they will move there if the reports of successful catches are confirmed.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The government organ says the local legislature will meet about the beginning of the last week of January. As the editor is the confidante of the Hon. Smithe, the statement is possibly not incorrect.

THE FIRST.

The furniture factory of Mr. J. Sehl is the first building in the city to be illuminated regularly by the electric light. The incandescent lamp is used, the dynamos and all the plant being on the premises. The light works satisfactorily.

New Map of Victoria, 25cts, at B. C. S. & P. Co.'s, next door to Post Office.

New Goods from London, opened to day at B. C. S. & P. Co.'s, next door to Post Office.

Opera Glasses, all prices, at B. C. S & P. Co.'s, next door to Post Office.

Come and see what books we will sell you for 25cts, at B. C. S. & P. Co.'s, next door to Post Office.

PERSONAL.

At the Oriental: J W Johnson and wife, Winnipeg; Chas Dayton, Katie O'Connor, Vancouver.

Mr. Gavin H. Burns, manager of the Bank of B. N. A., in this city, was in Winnipeg last Sunday en route for Montreal, where he intends spending a three months' vacation.

The late Dr. W. F. Tolmie was a Licentiate of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow, Scotland, from whose college he held a diploma.

Mr. Clarke, formerly of the real estate firm of Lake & Clarke, Toronto, is en route to the Pacific coast.

At the Clarence: J. D. Moreton and G. F. Kyle, Port Moody.

At the Driard: C. F. Clapp, Dungeness; E. B. Reynolds, Departure Bay; R. S. Franckel, New York; E. R. Sewall, San Francisco; C. B. Macdongall, Niagara; R. J. Brown, Philadelphia.

At the Occidental: W T Campbell, Eugene, Or., A M Strino, Tacoma; J McFarlane, Howellville; A Sherwood, Wm McKenzie, A Loney, Mrs Benton, Vancouver; C S Richardson, Killarney, Mrs Woodward, Nicola; W P Jaynes, F McCurly, Quamichan; W T Chapman, Shawnigan.

Passengers from Burrard Inlet last night on the Princess Louise: A Loney, W McKenzie, Mrs Rae and child, I Van Volkenburgh, J J MaKay, W Crichton, E A Blair, F W Hart, A M Johnson and wife, R Henderson, C Deighton, F Verdier, G F Kyle, Mrs O'Connor, Mrs Benton, John Davidson, C Richardson, Mrs Woodward.

MARINE.

The Chilian bark Bella Vista will be sold by auction at Port Townsend next Thursday. This vessel put to sea a short time ago, but returned on account of springing a leak.

The bark Alden Besse, Capt. O'Brien, arrived at Hongkong on Monday last.

The British ship Sir Jamsetjee Family went ashore near Point Greenville, on December 1st. She was on her way from Melbourne to Puget Sound for a cargo of lumber.

The ship Commodore, Capt. Jordan, was towed into Esquimalt last night by the Pilot.

The ships Carrollton and James Drummond have been chartered by San Francisco firms to load coal at Nanaimo.

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 11.—The Etruria has arrived.

FREE TRADE.

The reduction of internal revenue and the taking off of revenue stamps from Proprietary Medicines, no doubt has largely benefitted the consumers, as well as relieving the burden of home manufacturers. Especially is this the case with *Green's August Flower* and *Boschee's German Syrup*, as the reduction of thirty-six cents per dozen, has been added to increase the size of the bottles containing these remedies, thereby giving one-fifth more medicine in the 75 cent size. The *August Flower* for Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint, and the *German Syrup* for Cough and Lung troubles, have perhaps, the largest sale of any medicines in the world. The advantage of increased size of the bottles will be greatly appreciated by the sick and afflicted, in every town and village in civilized countries. Sample bottles for 10 cents remain the same size.

CANADA'S SUPREME COURT.

It appears that the Ottawa *Journal* in copying the address of Mr. Justice Crease to the Grand Jury at the recent Court of Assize held in Victoria, and headed the "Sproule Case" gave offence to the court in that city. Referring to the subject the *Journal* says: "We had no intention of conveying the idea that we coincided with the sentiments expressed by Mr. Justice Crease in regard to the judges of the Supreme Court of Canada. We merely intended to copy the report from the *British Columbian* of what Mr. Justice Crease had said, and we regret that the head lines of the item were calculated to convey the impression that we in any respect agreed with the ideas expressed in the language of Mr. Justice Crease."

THE TORONTO TELEGRAM.

The Toronto *Telegram* a few days ago donned a new dress which becomes our clever evening contemporary, of the Queen city, admirably. Under the management of brother Robertson the *Telegram* has become one of Toronto's institutions and reported to be the best paying journal in that city. Alex. F. Pirie has been its editor for many years. He is a nephew to Mr. J. P. Booth of Salt Spring Island, and son of the late Geo. Pirie of the Guelph *Herald*. Mr. Pirie's "sun skits" of by-gone days made a reputation for the *Telegram* which still clings to it. It is now in its eleventh year of publication and deserves the liberal advertising patronage it enjoys.

MUSIC! MUSIC!

M. W. WAITT & Co. have just received from London and Chicago a fine assortment of BAND INSTRUMENTS, which have been marked at extremely low prices; also, a splendid stock of GUITARS, BANJOS, VIOLINS, ACCORDEONS, and other Instruments, which will be sold at reasonable figures.

A large stock of SHEET MUSIC always on hand and constantly arriving.

The latest styles in MUSIC ROLLS, just suitable for XMAS PRESENTS.

PIANOS and ORGANS for sale or hire and sold on the installment plan.

Call and examine at the MUSIC STORE, Government street. H. KENT, Manager.

THE LATE DR. TOLMIE.

The funeral of the late Dr. Tolmie will take place to-morrow from the residence near the city, at 1 o'clock, and from St. John's Church at 2 o'clock. There is little doubt that the *cortege* will be one of the largest seen in the city for years, as the deceased was deservedly respected by all classes and had a personal acquaintance and friendship with a greater number of people than any other individual in the community. The following gentlemen have consented to act as pall bearers: Hons. William Smithe and J. W. Trutch, Rod'k Finlayson, J. H. Turner, M. P. P., Alex. Munro, James Lawson, Robt. Wallace and John Graham.

SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

The Christmas examinations of the city public schools will be held as follows: Boys, Central School—Tuesday, 14th, forenoon and afternoon; High School—Wednesday, 15th, forenoon and afternoon; Girls, Central School—Thursday, 16th, forenoon and afternoon; James Bay—Wednesday, 15th, forenoon; Johnson St. Ward School—Tuesday, 14th, forenoon; Rock Bay—Thursday, 16th, forenoon. All are invited to attend.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The steamer Mexico left for San Francisco at 1 p. m. to-day, carrying the following passengers from this city: John Nicholas, Edward Berwick, F F Finlay, Capt J Hamilton, Mrs G Buckman, H G Playfair, P Brady, Albert Sherwood, E Hutcheson and wife, J S Tabor, James Sallee and wife, H S Flood, Richard Burrell, J W Johnson and wife, and sixteen in the steerage.

THE CONCORDIA.

THE SPANISH TROUBADOURS and the entire company of eleven artists in their respective specialties will appear to-night. This entertainment will be one of the grandest yet given at this popular place of amusement. Admission only 25 cts.

—Henry Gribble's, Government street, is the place for Xmas presents for the little ones. Go early and select them.

—The Canadian Pacific, it is said, by its charter is forbidden to pool business with other lines.

—Mr. C. E. Redfern has a beautiful stock of gold and silver ware for Xmas presents. He claims it to be the most complete and largest in the province.

—Kate Putnam and troupe, in "Erma the Elf," on Monday night at the Victoria. A very successful season was played in Portland.

—The dwelling house, corner of Vancouver and View streets, to be sold by auction on Wednesday next, will be open for inspection on Tuesday.

—A Chinaman, supposed to be demented, and who whiles away the time in a peculiar fashion on Fisgard street, is the centre of attraction for small boys just now.

—The first passenger railroad was opened in England on September 27, 1825; the first in America at Baltimore and Ohio, in 1828, although freight was moved early as 1826.

—The Seattle Rifles and Company G, of Portland, will decide their respective merits in a competitive drill at Portland today for the championship of the Pacific northwest.

—An exchange says: "The amount of raw paper consumed by the various periodicals of the country is incalculably enormous." This no doubt accounts for the rawness which characterizes so many of our contemporaries.

—Arrangements have been perfected by the freight department of the C. P. R. so as to have advance notices of freight five or six hours before its arrival, which enables perishable goods to be delivered immediately.

—J. C. Devlin has received another consignment of choice Eastern Townships and Creamery butter, which is offered at low figures to the trade only. Give him a call before purchasing elsewhere. *1w

—The brick work on the first story of Senator Macdonald's warehouse on Bastion square is now in progress. The building will be a commodious one and a decided improvement to that portion of the city.

—The contract made between the C. P. N. Co. and the Union Iron Works, of San Francisco, calls for the completion of the steel screw steamer by June 1st, 1887. The other steamer for the C. P. N. Company will be built in England.

—In reference to the Rocky Mountain locust, the entomologist of the department of agriculture thinks the rapid settlement of the country will prevent destructive invasions, such as that of 1874, and when the country is fully settled that the insect will disappear entirely.

The following problem is from the Montreal *Herald*: If the construction of the C. P. R. effects a saving of 4 cents a lb. on the carriage of tea from China to Canada, and if tea can be brought from China to Montreal, via Suez Canal, for 3 cents a lb., how much ought the carrier to pay the merchant in each case?

—Mr. Harry Cowan, late chief clerk in the freight department of the C. P. R. in Winnipeg, who went to the Pacific division in a similar capacity, is settled in his new position. Mr. Cowan's many friends will be pleased to hear that the change of climate has had an invigorating effect on his health. So says the *Sun*.

—At a meeting of the Calgary Board of Trade the other evening Mr. Reilly made some remarks as to the unfairness of the railway company towards Western people, in issuing return tickets at reduced rates to Eastern people desirous of visiting the West, while they withheld that advantage from Western people visiting the East. The Secretary was instructed to write to General Manager Van Horne regarding the matter.

—The Railway *Age* says: The Canadian Pacific management has completed arrangements with the Boston and Lowell road by which its cars will run to Boston, making that city, it is stated, its principal winter terminus. Next summer it will probably reach down the coast into Florida, and perhaps throw a bridge across from Key West Caracas, from whence the occupation of South America will be easily accomplished.

Gosnell's Sugar-Cured Hams are now ready at his store, corner Cormorant and Douglas streets.

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REDUCTION OF Hack Rates.

The following exceptionally low HACK and LIVERY RATES will apply until further notice:

From the Stand to any point within the city limits, one person	25
Driving by the hour, each hour	$1 00
Dinner Parties and Theatres, to and from	1 00
To Trains and Steamers, each person	50
Balls and Parties, each Carriage	2 00
To and from Church, each Carriage	1 00

Hacks furnished any hour of Day or Night.

TELEPHONE CALL 129.

Regular customers having monthly accounts of over $15 will be entitled to a discount of 10 per cent. on above rates.

Having a large number of Carriages, the Company are always in a position to fill an order.

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POLICE COURT.

(Before Edwin Johnson, Esq., S. M.)

Tue Kook, on remand, charged with stealing money, jewelry and goods, the property of her husband. The evidence of the complainant was taken and the case was remanded until Thursday; prisoner being admitted to bail.

Phillip Clark, charged with being a vagrant; remanded until Tuesday.

THIS IS A FACT.

Best Canadian butter and cheese at A. Ofner's, corner Government and Fort streets.

NEW TO-DAY.

FOR ALBERNI.

THE STEAMER HOPE WILL SAIL FOR THE above port on

TUESDAY, DEC. 14,

AT ONE O'CLOCK, P. M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

dec11 2t WM. P. SAYWARD.

G. BYRNES, AUCTIONEER.

AUCTION.

Wednesday, 15th December,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A.M.,

REAL ESTATE AND FURNITURE.

I have been instructed to sell by Auction, on the premises, that desirable Family

Dwelling House & Lot, 60x120,

Containing ten rooms, on the corner of Vancouver and View Street. The house is fitted with Bath room. Cupboards, Wardrobes, Hot and Cold Water and Gas laid on. The Drawing room is 18x24 and Dining room 16x32, and perfect drainage.

—ALSO—

The Household Furniture and Effects,

Consisting of Paintings, Engravings, fine Brussels Carpet, Lace and Silk Damask Curtains, Ornaments, Tea Table, Dining Table, Plateduare, new Cutlery, Spoons, Forks, Crockery, Glassware, China, Mahogany Sideboard, 3 and 4 light Chandeliers, Marble top Walnut Bedroom Suite, Plain Bedroom Suites, Bedding, Blankets. Sheets, Pillows, Linen, etc., Kitchen Utensils, Lawn Mower, Hose, Reel, Range, Tools, and Sundries.

Terms of Sale for House and Lot, $1000 cash, and balance on mortgage at 6 per cent. for two years.

☞ The premises will be open for inspection on TUESDAY MORNING.

G. BYRNES,

dec 7 Auctioneer.

NOTICE.

Just Received from Eastern Markets, a Fine Line of

Chinchilla & Cheviot

SATIN LINED

OVERCOATS

Ordered expressly for my customers.

Fur Capes and Cuffs, for gentlemen; Boys Fancy Overcoats; Fur Capes for men and Boys.

—ALSO—

Tweed Pants, from $2 upwards; Black walking Coats at $3.50 each. Sack Coat, $3.50 each; Diagonal Suits at $8 per suit. And a full line of

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